

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI**

Noranda Aluminum, Inc., et al.,	)	
Complainants,	)	
v.	)	Case Nos. EC-2014-0224 & EC-2014-0223
Union Electric Company d/b/a	)	
Ameren Missouri,	)	
Respondent.	)	

**NOTICE OF COMMUNICATION**

Issue Date: April 16, 2014

The attached letter from Russell Freed, Assistant Vice President of Orscheln Properties Co. LLC, was received via facsimile by Chairman Robert Kenney and Commissioners Bill Kenney, Daniel Hall, and Scott Rupp regarding the above captioned case. In conformance with the Missouri Public Service Commission's Ex Parte and Extra-Record Communication rules 4 CSR 240-4.010 & 4.020, the Chairman and Commissioners hereby file this notice of communication.

Respectfully Submitted,



Robert S. Kenney  
Chairman



Bill Kenney  
Commissioner



Daniel Hall  
Commissioner



Scott Rupp  
Commissioner

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri  
On this 16<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2014



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Re: Noranda Aluminum, Inc., et. Al, Complainants v. Union Electric Company d/b/a/ Ameren  
Missouri, Respondent Case No. EC-2014-0224

Dear Honorable Chairman and Commissioners:

I am writing in behalf of the Orscheln Industries Companies that are headquartered and located here in Missouri. This includes the Orscheln Farm & Home distribution center and numerous store locations, the Orscheln Products manufacturing locations, and the many development properties owned by Orscheln Properties Co. L.L.C.

We understand Noranda Aluminum is attempting to secure a further reduction of their electric rate here in Missouri. I use the term further reduction since Noranda is apparently already receiving a below cost rate for the power they use today at their facility.

Their request for an additional reduction of 25% in their rate is not reasonable. We are informed that if this reduction is granted to them, Ameren Missouri's other customers, including all of our businesses, will be assessed increases in our electric costs to offset this large decrease to Noranda.

We strongly object to that premise and potential penalty that we would pay in order to grant them this reduction. As the overall economy still struggles to get back on track the last thing any business needs is additional utility expense burdens applied to operations, particularly when that burden is caused by granting another business a decrease.

We respectfully request that this rate reduction sought by Noranda Aluminum be denied.

Thank you for your consideration and please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Russell Freed  
Assistant Vice President